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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, MARR, UNSC, LE, IS  
SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON: SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING ON  
UNIFIL ENLARGEMENT, MAY 3

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1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION APPROVING  
ENLARGEMENT OF UNIFIL TO 6,000 SYG WALDHEIM AND SECURITY  
COUNCIL MEMBERS MADE BRIEF STATEMENTS. STATEMENTS  
FOCUSED ON BENEFIT OF ENLARGEMENT TO UNIFIL'S FULFILLMENT  
OF ITS MISSION, NEED FOR PROMPT ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL, AND

TRAGEDY OF RECENT DEATHS OF UNIFIL TROOPS. KUWAIT REITERATED THAT ISRAELI PRESENCE IN LEBANON SHOULD BE CONDEMNED AND IF THERE IS CONTINUED PROCRASTINATION IN WITHDRAWING ITS TROOPS CHAPTER VII SANCTIONS SHOULD BE APPLIED. END SUMMARY.

2. SECURITY COUNCIL HELD FORMAL MEETING

AT 4:00 P.M. ON MAY 3. RESOLUTION APPROVING UNIFIL INCREASE TO "APPROXIMATELY" 6,000 WAS ADOPTED 12 - 0 - 2 (USSR AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA) WITH CHINA NOT PARTICIPATING. SYG WALDHEIM ADDRESSED COUNCIL BRIEFLY. HE NOTED WITH REGRET THE RECENT DEATHS OF 2 FRENCH AND 1 SENEGALESE SOLDIER AND 1 PLO LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE. WALDHEIM SAID HE WOULD CONTINUE TO KEEP THE SC INFORMED ABOUT DETAILS OF RECENT AID AND FURTHER INCIDENTS OF THIS NATURE AND OTHER UNIFIL DEVELOPMENTS. HE POINTED OUT THAT ANOTHER PHASE OF ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL HAD BEEN COMPLETED APRIL 30 AND THAT EFFORTS WERE UNDERWAY TO OBTAIN A TIMETABLE FOR COMPLETE IDF WITHDRAWAL. HE CONCLUDED THAT HE WOULD ACT WITHOUT DELAY IN IMPLEMENTING THE NEW RESOLUTION ENLARGING UNIFIL AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT HE COULD COUNT ON FULL SUPPORT FOR UNIFIL BY COUNCIL MEMBERS.

3. CHINA (CHEN CHU) ACCUSED ISRAEL OF USING PRETEXTS  
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FOR DELAYING IDF WITHDRAWAL AND LABELED THE INVASION A CRIME OF AGGRESSION PERPETRATED BY UNPENITENT ZIONISTS. HE GAVE USUAL EXPLANATION FOR NON-PARTICIPATION IN VOTE ON ANY PEACEKEEPING OPERATION. UK (RICHARD) REGARDED THE INCREASE AS POTENTIALLY USEFUL IN PREVENTING INCIDENTS BETWEEN ARMED ELEMENTS AND UNIFIL TROOPS. HE DECRIED THE ATTACKS ON UNIFIL AND DECLARED THAT ONCE THE SC SETS US A FORCE, IT REPRESENTS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, AND "AN ATTACK ON IT IS AN ATTACK ON US."

4. KUWAIT (BISHARA) ASSERTED THAT ISRAELI PRESENCE IN LEBANON AFTER 45 DAYS WAS AN ACT OF DEFIANCE OF THE SC AND THE UN. IF ISRAEL CONTINUES TO PROCRASTINATE IN ITS WITHDRAWAL, THE SC SHOULD CONSIDER CHAPTER VII MEASURES. SC SHOULD MEET SOON TO ESTABLISH A TIMETABLE FOR COMPLETE IDF WITHDRAWAL. KUWAIT VOTED FOR THE RES ON UNDERSTANDING THAT INCREASE TO 6,000 REPRESENTS FINAL STRENGTH REQUIREMENT AND THAT IT WOULD HELP ACHIEVE WITHDRAWAL. BISHARA CONCLUDED BY OBSERVING THAT ATTACK EARLIER THIS WEEK IN SOUTH LEBANON WAS DIRECTED AGAINST BOTH PLO AND UN

TROOPS. ADDITIONAL UNIFIL TROOPS SHOULD BE DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY; TWO TO THREE WEEKS IS TOO LONG TO WAIT.

5. AMB YOUNG SUPPORTED THE SYG'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL TROOPS AND DEPLORED ATTACKS ON UNIFIL (FULL TEXT SEPTEL).

6. USSR AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA REFERRED TO ISRAELI "DEFIANCE" AND REITERATED THAT ISRAEL, THE "AGGRESSOR", SHOULD PAY UNIFIL COSTS. USSR (TROYANOVSKY) SAID UN TROOPS SHOULD NOT ASSUME "EXTRANEIOUS FUNCTIONS"; ESTABLISHING LEBANESE AUTHORITY IN SOUTH LEBANON TRANSCENDS UNIFIL'S MISSION. HE FEARED UNIFIL TROOPS

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WOULD BECOME EMBROILED IN LEBANESE INTERNAL PROBLEMS.  
DANGER OF INCIDENTS WOULD END IF ISRAEL WITHDREW  
AND TROOPS COULD REMAIN SIMPLY IN BORDER AREA. HE HAD  
NOT BLOCKED RES SINCE THOSE DIRECTLY INVOLVED  
FAVORED IT.

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7. MAURITIUS (RAMPHUL) SUPPORTED THE SYG'S REQUEST  
FOR THE UNIFIL INCREASE AND HOPED INCIDENTS WOULD END.  
ISRAEL'S OBLIGATIONS WERE CLEAR, HE SAID, EXPRESSING  
HOPE FOR COMPLETE WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT DELAY.  
CANADA (BARTON) CALLED FOR AN END TO ATTACKS ON UNIFIL  
WHOSE ENLARGEMENT WAS NECESSARY. INDIA (JAIPAL)  
NOTED THAT HELPING LEBANON RESTORE ITS AUTHORITY IS A  
DELICATE TASK SECONDARY TO TASK OF ENSURING ISRAELI  
WITHDRAWAL, WHICH, WITH FORCE INCREASE, THERE WAS NO  
REASON TO DELAY FURTHER. HE WARNED AGAINST IDF'S  
BEING DRAWN INTO LOCAL CONFRONTATIONS.

8. FRG (VON WECHMAR) AND FRANCE (LEPRETTE) SPOKE IN  
FAVOR OF UNIFIL ENLARGEMENT WITH FRANCE NOTING  
AGAIN THAT FRENCH SOLDIERS ARE IN LEBANON AS UN  
TROOPS AND NOT FRENCH PARATROOPERS. IT WAS INADMISSIBLE  
THAT UN TROOPS WERE UNDER ATTACK BY OTHER PARTIES.  
BOLIVIA (ROLON ANAYA), NIGERIA (GEORGE) AND SC  
PRESIDENT CARPIO-CASTILLO SPEAKING AS VENEZUELA'S  
REPRESENTATIVE CONCLUDED DEBATE BY DEPLORING ATTACKS  
ON UNIFIL FORCES AND EXPRESSING HOPE THAT INCREASE IN  
TROOPS WOULD HELP UNIFIL TO FULFILL ITS MANDATE. END  
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9. COMMENT. WHILE IT IS POSSIBLE FORMAL SC MEETING  
MIGHT HAVE BEEN AVOIDED UNDER STRONGER COUNCIL PRESIDENT,  
SOVIETS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE PERSISTED IN REQUEST FOR  
MEETING IN LIGHT OF THEIR DESIRE TO STATE THEIR  
POSITION PUBLICLY AND TO REGISTER ABSTENTION ON INCREASE  
IN SIZE OF UNIFIL. ONCE SC MEETING WAS AGREED UPON IT  
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WAS APPARENTLY TOO GOOD A CHANCE FOR ARABS AND SUPPORTERS  
TO RESIST TO INSERT IN RESOLUTION PROVISIONS ON ISRAELI

WITHDRAWAL. LANGUAGE, HOWEVER, IS MODERATE, AND  
RECOGNIZES WITHDRAWAL THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE. AMB  
HERZOG, AFTER BRIEFING BY AMB LEONARD ON EFFORTS MADE  
BY US AND OTHERS TO RESIST ADDITIONS TO ORIGINAL  
PROCEDURAL RESOLUTION AND JEOPARDY IN WHICH WHOLE  
QUESTION OF UNIFIL ENLARGEMENT HAD BEEN PUT, UNDERSTOOD  
SITUATION BETTER AND SEEMED RELAXED AND ASSURED  
THAT BEST RESULT POSSIBLE HAD BEEN OBTAINED UNDER  
CIRCUMSTANCES. YOUNG

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